Everything is contrary to common sense, disconcerting. Gravity is upended: the heaviest on top, the laws of physics denied. Let’s go back over what we have seen in this villa. It is roughly regulated by the thick concrete wall set lengthwise on the lot, at either end of which is one of the two boxes, on leaning against it, the other straddling it where it disappears. The whole thing is like a powerful lever. The remainder is merely circulation, even if we call the indeterminate spaces of the garden floor living rooms. It is a pedal mechanism that produces nothing but movement, disequilibrium. Arranged as it is, the system produces all manner of vertical compressions against which struggle the powerful interior columns, partly masked by the line of the cupboards that separate the ramp from the adjoining rooms. These compressions are resolved by the horizontal distortions of the glazed walls. Space overflows to the exterior, or takes hold of it, to such an extent that the borders between the inside and out become indistinct, just as the balance between above and below is uncertain.

Materials:
- superstructure: concrete, steel columns under front apartment;
- cladding: sell pilarguli slate, exposed concrete, corrugated aluminium lacquered with copper and aluminium, polished anodized aluminium mullions; clear, green, and sandblasted glass

Program:
- A house (1350m²) for a family of 3 with 2 separate apartments (one for a couple and one for their daughter) with a swimming pool (30m²) on the roof

Site:
- 650m² area in St. Cloud, bounded by greenery and garden walls, sloping steeply toward Paris, in a traditional residential neighborhood
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